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SUBJECT: KAGNEW FOUR

REF: ROME 13868

1) GREATLY APPRECIATE ROME'S SUGGESTIONS REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF USING ITALIAN CHANNEL TO SECURE UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF KAGNEW FOUR.

2) AT PRESENT WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIRECT INITIATIVES BY WHICH WE HOPE TO OBTAIN UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF DETAINEES OR AT LEAST TO PRECLUDE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR EXECUTION ON OCTOBER 3, A THREAT WHICH HAS BEEN CONTAINED IN SOME OF THE INSURGENT DEMANDS SHOULD THEIR CONDITIONS FOR RELEASE
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NOT BE MET.

3) IF WE GET INDICATIONS BEFORE OCT. 3 THAT EXECUTIONS ARE STILL A POSSIBILITY, WE MAY WELL WISH TO USE ITALIAN CHANNEL, IN VIEW OF WILLINGNESS INDICATED IN REFTTEL. THIS USE COULD TAKE THE FORM OF A REQUEST TO GOI TO WARN THE INSURGENTS AGAINST EXECUTION.

4) IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR THIS EVENTUALITY REQUEST EMBASSY, UNLESS OBJECTION PERCEIVED IN ROME OR ADDIS, ADVISE MFA WE MAY WISH TO CALL ON IT FOR ASSISTANCE IN THIS FASHION, SO THAT RAPID ACTION CAN TAKE PLACE WHEN AND IF NECESSARY. WOULD BE USEFUL TO KNOW IN THIS CONNECTION HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE MFA TO GET MESSAGE TO PLF LEADERSHIP IN ERITREA. ADDIS PLEASE TRANSMIT COMMENTS DIRECT TO ROME AS WELL AS TO DEPT. INGERSOLL

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